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particular the reputation of an excellent disciplinarian. He became lieutenant on the 19th May, 1880, and in 1885 he served with the Nile expedition. On the 31st July, 1889, he gained his captaincy, serving that year with the Tushai expedition on the North-east frontier of India, securing the medal and clasp. From 1895 to 1900 he acted as Secretary to the Colonial Defence Committee, during which period he became Major on the 1st September, 1898. In 1899 he administered the government of Sierra Leone, gaining his C.M.G. the same year. In 1900 he succeeded Sir F. M. Hodson as Governor of the Gold Coast, where he has been since then. Sir MATTHEW NATHAN thus has had not a long, but still a distinguished career. He is unusually young for appointment to Hongkong. He has won the best of reputations as a disciplinarian and as a military expert, particularly in the matter of fortifications. He is known to be an exceedingly hard-working official. In military circles his appointment will no doubt be welcomed, if only on account of the reputation which he gained in his early career. He has an elder brother in the Royal Artillery and, if we are not mistaken, relatives in the Colonial Service. Those who know him speak highly of his social qualifications. In coming from the Gold Coast to Hongkong, Sir MATTHEW NATHAN makes a distinct advance in Colonial promotion, but his elevation to Hongkong is looked upon among those who should know best as a proof that the home Government recognises the critical position in the Far East at the present moment, appointing therefore a strong man, whose reputation justifies the hope that he will be able to deal with such difficulties as may arise during his term of office. As he has apparently been a successful Governor on the Gold Coast, where the native question is a large one, civilians may be justified in hoping that he will also be able to handle the most arduous native question here, with satisfaction alike to Europeans and to Chinese. He is the first substantive Governor here who has been a military man, and he is also an Engineer in a Colony where a great ordinance concerning buildings is about to operate. The fact cannot be disguised that the new Governor of Hongkong will have before him an exceptionally difficult task. That he may be found equal to undertaking it will be the fervent wish of all.

According to the *N.Y. Daily News*, Tokyo correspondent, there is every prospect of a fine rice-crop in Japan, seventeen per cent above the average.

Lieut.-General Sir Archibald Hunter, K.C.B., D.S.O., gives up the command in Scotland, which he has held since 1901, on succeeding Sir George Luck, K.C.B., in Bengal.

A London telegram of the 4th inst. to Manila says that Lord Alverstone, Chief Justice of England, has been selected as chairman of the Commission to settle the dispute with the United States over the Alaskan boundary.

Three new Russian warships, *vis.*, the *Saratov*, *Oleg*, and *Shchuching*, were launched at St. Petersburg on the 23rd ult. The battleship *Tarazitch* and several other warships are shortly to reinforce Russia's squadron in the Pacific.

A racing pony, whose name of *Sinophou* will be very familiar to former residents in Siam, died of poisoning at Bangkok at the end of August. Mr. von Wittkind and another veterinary surgeon were of opinion that it was maliciously poisoned.

Intending passengers by trans-Pacific steamers will be glad to hear that the Secretary of the Treasury Department at Washington has instructed the Customs officials at Honolulu to make no examination of through passengers' luggage.

According to a San Francisco telegram to the Manila *Cablemen*, the cruiser *Baltimore* and six torpedo-boat destroyers have been ordered to the United States Asiatic Station. The fleet has been ordered to proceed with all practicable haste to Manila, its original destination.

Chinese money-changers in Manila were last week discounting the new local currency with gold at the rate of \$2.08. If Philippine Currency is interchangeable with gold coin or certificates at the Philippine Treasury at a two for one rate, as has been understood by some, how long, asks a Manila contemporary, will it take to change the available supply of gold from the treasury to the pockets of the money-changers?

The *Bangkok Times* of the 27th ult. was officially informed by the Acting Financial Adviser that the Banks were notified that day that the Government rolling rate for ticals, until further notice, was 17½ to the pound sterling. This step had been taken in sympathy with the continuous advance of the dollar in Singapore, where the quotations were rapidly approaching 2s, as well as in consequence of a considerable sale of ticals having been effected at the rate of 17½.

A Land Act has passed. Among other things homesteading privileges are provided for Americans and natives. No more than sixteen hectares may be taken up by any one person and the patent can be obtained only after seven years of continuous occupancy and cultivation after the proper filing. Over six months of absence from a claim at any time will lead to forfeiture of the claim. All surveyed lands must be taken up in legal subdivision of the survey, unsurveyed lands must be taken in lots as nearly as possible to a rectangular shape. No claim can be sold encumbered before the patent is obtained.

Manila is to have a new hotel. The present owners of the Hotel Metropole have acquired a site facing the Luneta and intend erecting a building at a cost of half a million dollars. It is also reported that Ali Gong, the late proprietor of the "Oriente," intends opening a new hotel on the bay-front.

The testimony deduced at the enquiry at Shanghai into the wreck of the *Spal* will be forwarded to the home government, as well as to the owners of the *Spal* at Christians. The Norwegian Consulate Court which sat in the case did not deal with the question of the *Spal* or otherwise attaching to the master of the vessel.

By permission of Major Radcliffe and officers, the band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme at the Kowloon Hotel, during dinner, this evening (weather permitting):—

March "The Ullman's Call," Eilenborg Overture "Medusa," Stanislaus Elliott Selection "A Chinese Honeymoon," Tailor Song "The Promise of Life," Cowen Selection "Carmen," Bizet Waltz "Tresor d'Amour," Waldteufel Barcarolle "Caractéristique," Contenini "God Save the King."

We are asked to put the following problem before our readers:—In a bezique party when the last eight tricks were being entered upon, the 2 of spades was led, the second player put on the ace of trumps (not spades), the third player followed neither suit though he held high trump. As the rules of the game say that players must follow suit or trump and try to take the trick, was the third player holding trump entitled to play another suit altogether or was he bound to play his trump card? Perhaps some bezique-player will lend instruction on the point.

The *Shanghai Times* at the end of an amusing article on "more *Sipao* surprises," in connection with the change of attitude of the Diplomatic Body at Peking and of some Consuls at Shanghai with regard to the disposition of the *Sipao* prisoners, says:—Thus our readers can see that Shen Ke-wei's death was not in vain. It has converted such hardened officials as Monsieur Ratard and the charming man from Minneapolis whose presence graces and delights where he goes. We must therefore feel grateful that the "blood of martyrs" has once more proved efficacious as a miracle-worker and that we shall spare the necessity of imploring Monsieur Ratard and his friend to protect Shanghai from the awful consequences of the communists—and the Council's rash intrusion into "matters of jurisdiction."

TELEGRAMS.

HONGKONG'S NEW GOVERNOR.

SIR MATTHEW NATHAN
APPOINTED.

We received yesterday morning from the Colonial Secretary's Office the following announcement:

"His Majesty the King has been pleased to appoint Major Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G., Royal Engineers, at present Governor of the Gold Coast, to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Hongkong in succession to His Excellency Sir Henry A. Blake."

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE GOVERNORSHIP OF
HONGKONG.

LONDON, 8th September.

Major Sir Matthew Nathan, R.E., K.C.M.G., the present Governor of the Gold Coast, has been appointed Governor of Hongkong. Mr. Rodger, Resident at Poak, succeeds Sir Matthew Nathan.

[The above telegram is published to-day by kind permission of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.—ED. D.P.]

THE BALKAN TROUBLES.

LONDON, 7th September.

At the recent Bulgarian Council at Euxinegrad it is said that it was resolved Bulgaria should continue the strictest neutrality. The Minister for War is reported to be strongly opposed to a declaration of war against Turkey; Bulgaria herself should not declare war but accept a challenge without fear.

LATER.

According to a Consular report from Salonika, the insurrection in the Vilayet of Monastir has been practically suppressed by bloody ruthlessness, aiming rather at the extermination of all Christians than of the revolutionaries. The report has produced a great impression, and advises from Constantinople and Sofia to-day regard war as inevitable and as likely to break out at the end of the month.

SALE OF THE "SHAMROCKS."

LONDON, 7th September.

Sir Thomas Lipton has decided to sell all the three *Shamrocks*, the first and third to American yachtsmen and the second to a junk-dealer.

ANOTHER ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

LONDON, 7th September.

Commander Peary has been granted three years' leave to make another dash for the North Pole, and will start in July.

ROOF-COLLAPSE IN MACDONNELL ROAD.

LONDON, 7th September.

Yesterday, about noon, the roof of Mr. C. Shelton Hooper's house "Rougonom," in Macdonnell Rd., collapsed suddenly without any warning. Fortunately, no personal injury was done, though naturally everything in the upper rooms was thrown into great disorder. The cause of the collapse was not, as might at first have been imagined, the exceedingly heavy rains which have late visited the Colony, but the fact that the roof-beams had been entirely eaten through by white ants.

WRECK OF THE "NINGPO."

Another disaster has occurred on the Zambales coast, reports the *Manila Times*.

The British steamer *Ningpo*, quite new, was on her way from Hongkong to Cebu, when she struck a rock on the island of Hormas Minor on the night of August 28th, and is likely to become a total wreck. Capt. Parker, who was in command, and a crew of eight were brought on to Manila by a coast-guard steamer and landed on the 31st ult.

No reason is assigned as to how the steamer was so far out of her course, but it is well known that treacherous currents set in toward the shore which may have been the cause.

The *Bohol Maru*, it will be remembered, went ashore on the Zambales coast some months ago, but was floated off after slight injury as she was resting on the mud. In the *Ningpo's* case, however, she struck solid rock and very little hope is entertained of saving her.

The coast-guard steamer brought on all the available articles that she could, including personal effects, chronometers, and other things, the wreck having been left in charge of the residents of Santa Cruz.

The *Ningpo* was built in Hongkong and was on the way down to the Philippines for sale, her destination being Cebu. She was consigned to Messrs. Smith, Bell and Company at that port.

THE B.I.S.S. "UJINA" ASHORE.

With reference to the report in our last issue of the feared loss by wreck or fire of the *Ujina*, we were informed yesterday afternoon by Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. that they had received telegraphic advice of the arrival of the steamer at Manila. The *Ujina* had been ashore and had to jettison part of her cargo, which consisted of rice.

NOTES FROM THE BOTANIC GARDENS.

Everyone admits, we suppose, that Glenely is one of the prettiest places in the island and the magnificent tree-ferns growing there contribute considerably to the effect. Many of them are twenty feet in height and their fronds have at least a similar expanse. The principal species is *Asplenium tenerum*, a native of Java and Formosa, which has now become naturalised in the vicinity of Glenely, where thousands of small seedlings may be found by the initiated. A second species, *Asplenium podophyllum*, is a native of Hongkong, but it is nothing like such a beautiful plant as *A. tenerum*. It is only represented by two or three specimens in Glenely.

A pretty shrub, *Grewia speciosa*, is now in flower on the bank above the *Grevillea* walk in the old garden. The flowers are white, about 4 inches long, and are produced very profusely at the ends of the branches in cymes, but they last for a very short time. The species was discovered by Sir John Kirk on the coast opposite Zanzibar Island, growing in very rocky places. There is a good figure of it in the *Botanical Magazine* of twenty years ago.

In 1840 *Gynandropsis pentaphylla* was introduced to England from the East Indies. It is now a cosmopolitan species in the tropics and, of course, might have been there. It is a tall-growing annual with mauve flowers which become much lighter in colour after they have been open for a short time. There are several pot-plants in flower at the bottom of the steps at the north-east entrance to the gardens.

The rainfall for the month has been abnormal. No less than 14.65 inches have been registered already, which is 5.81 inches above the average for the whole month taken over a period of ten years. The daily fall has been as follows:

INCHES.	INCHES.
1st Sept. 1.45	6th Sept. 2.70
2nd " 2.35	7th " 1.27
3rd " 2.7	8th " 2.29
4th " 3.7	9th " 3.51
5th " 3.8	Total 14.65

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Board will be held to-day at 4.15 p.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.—*N.L.*

G. A. Woodcock,
Secretary.

AGENDA.

1. Application for the issue of a market licence in respect of No. 132 Station Street, Mong Kok.

2. Applications for licences to sell vegetables and fruit at Nos. 123, 125 and 128, Shaukiwan respectively.

3. Application for exemption from the provision of a backyard in respect of No. 2, Shing Wong Street.

4. Application for exemption from the provision of a backyard in respect of No. 3, Shing Wong Street.

5. Further correspondence relative to the prohibition against the importation of dogs from Shanghai.

6. Application for permission to erect two temporary wooden sheds on Farm Lot 23 for the purpose of housing dry cattle.

7. Application for a licence to sell fish, meat and vegetables at No. 38, Nullah Road, Quarry Bay.

8. Correspondence relative to cholera at Shanghai.

9. Application for permission to erect 15 water-closets and two urinals at M. L. Nos. 2A.B. and 10, South Block.

10. Application for a licence to sell pork, poultry, and vegetables at No. 46, Sai Wan O.

11. Applications for licences to keep cattle on premises Nos. 11, 12 and 13, Causeway Bay.

12. Application for a licence to sell fruit at No. 6, Ship Street.

13. Mortality Statistics for the weeks ended July 18th and 25th, August 1st and 8th, 1903.

14. Lime-washing Return for the fortnight ended 1st September, 1903.

15. Rat Return for the fortnight ended 7th September, 1903.

16. Correspondence relative to training the nylas in the Western District.

17. Application for a licence to sell pork at No. 4, Nullah Lane.

18. Reports of the analysis of the public water supplies for the month of August, 1903.

THE "RIO DE JANEIRO" CATASTROPHE.

A San Francisco cable to the *Manila Times* states that in the suits that have been brought by the surviving passengers on the ill-fated *City of Rio de Janeiro*, and heirs of those lost when the vessel went down, the courts have decided that they shall recover eighty-five per cent.

THE MURRAH CASE IN MANILA.

In connection with the charge against Robert Murrah, who was recently remitted by the Hongkong police to the charge of the Manila authorities, the *Cablemen* of the 4th inst. says:

Robert Murrah, recently sales-clerk in one of the Quarantine's departments and erstwhile centre-field on one of the base-ball nine, was sent out by the authorities on the charge of theft. It is alleged that Murrah left Manila a day or two ago on the *Seangiang* for Hongkong. Since his departure, it is said, a shortage of \$350 United States currency has been discovered in his accounts, and it is believed by those in charge of the matter that a still further shortage will be disclosed as the investigation proceeds. A complaint is being prepared by the Prosecuting Attorney's office, and extradition papers also, for the purpose of returning Murrah to Manila. Governor Taft, yesterday afternoon, wired Governor Blake of Hongkong, asking that Murrah be apprehended upon his arrival in that city, saying that extradition and other necessary papers would follow by mail.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE RAIN EQUIPMENT OF THE POLICE.

Hongkong, 9th September.

Sir,—The continued inclemency of the weather—it has now rained about eleven days with only brief intervals between the showers—has forced on my attention the inadequate provision made for the Police in such circumstances. The

REVIEW.

The Book of Marco Polo. Translated and Edited by Colonel Sir HENRY YULE, R.E., C.B., K.C.S.I. Third Edition, Revised throughout by HENRI CORDIER (of Paris). London: John Murray.

In the long train of the ages three geographers stand well to the front as having by the knowledge they had assimilated, as well as from the intrinsic interest of the scenes and things they had described, led men to the study of the great world outside the narrow limits to which they had hitherto been confined; and thereby largely influenced the current of human events. The first of these geographers was a Greek, the second a Chinese, the third a Venetian. Wide apart as were the nations that gave birth to these three, their divergence in point of time was no less great; the first, Herodotus of Halicarnassus, lived in the former half of the fifth century B.C., the second, Chang K'ien, who inspired S'ma's great history, the *Shi Ki*, lived in the latter half of the second century, also B.C., while the third, Marco Polo, the subject of this notice, was born in the year of Christ 1254. The paths of all three travellers overlapped in Persia and parts of Central Asia, so that we are able to make a fair comparison of the work accomplished by each. The men as well as the work, notwithstanding the difference in time and nationality, were remarkably alike, and the eventual results were by no means dissimilar. Our first light is thrown on these regions in the genealogies of Babylon, where we learn that some twenty-four centuries B.C. they were overrun by the king of the Kasite tribe, who established in the Euphrates valley a dynasty known as the Kasite, the name still surviving in the modern Khusistan. About nine hundred years later we find the great king of Egypt, Thothmes III, hunting elephants in, apparently, the lower valley of what is now the Karun: one of these animals, we are told, nearly killed the King, who owed his life to the timely help of his favourite general who happened to be at hand.

Practically had it not been for the indications gleaned by Herodotus during his residence at the Persian court we should not be in a position to take advantage of many accidental side lights from time to time thrown on the scene. Herodotus was a man avuncular of knowledge, and perhaps on that account not altogether free from a certain tendency to credulity when he comes to relate the experiences of others; as a rule his own observations may be thoroughly depended on, his errors not being attributable to any desire to deceive or any weakness of judgment other than was inseparable from his age. Even his most garrulous tales contain within themselves the elements of truth, and for the most part are to be attributed to the errors of translation, or misunderstandings between himself and his interpreters. Who, for instance, could have imagined that his wondrous yarn of the one-eyed man who stole gold from the griffins, a tale which has penetrated to the four quarters of the globe, was simply a case of misunderstanding between Iranian and Oghur?

It is satisfactory to find that the Arimaspi so curiously transformed were after all simple Oghur Oghurs, whose name actually meant nothing more than "Forest Oghur," proto-Turks who dwelt in the forests then more extensive in inner Asia than at present. Herodotus tells us that in the Skythian speech *airima* meant *one*, and *sixty eye*; and curiously in the languages that ranged north of Iran *airima* meant *rest*, *quiet*. But *airima* came to mean a *desert place*, and hence *lonely*, *solitary*. So also *sixty eye*, was a mistaken rendering of the name of the *gaave* tribe referred to which was really Oghur; but *oghiye* in Turkish means eye, as the unskilled interpreter, blundering as to the meaning of *orman*, substituted *Iranian airima*, which Herodotus took to mean solitary, and between them both they arrived at the strange combination of "lonely eyes," whence to "one-eyed" was but a short step. Herodotus, in fact, seems never to have acquired, at least thoroughly, any language but his own Greek, and hence was largely at the mercy of his interpreter for the time being.

Even from the mistakes of an intelligent traveller it is possible to learn much, and in this respect the three stand on a very similar basis. The Chinese Chang K'ien had, however, in regard to his knowledge of languages a distinct advantage over his predecessor. At the outset of his journey he was captured by the Hiung-nu, and remained for ten years a captive, during which time he was permitted to marry a Turkish wife. He employed the time in studying the language of his hosts, in which, judging from the numerous remains embedded in his work, he must have become a proficient. Chang K'ien had, less confidence than his predecessor, in hearsay tales, and is always precise in distinguishing what he has seen from what has been merely reported. Speaking of T'ao chi, Sarangis, which he knew only from report, he relates: "Old men had a tale that here were the Yen-kiui, 'Weas,' or rather 'Dead-Water,' had the fairy Queen, Siwangm, 'but he had not seen them.' Of course the tale told of the vanishing lake of Seisan and the Kohi Khoja, but Chang K'ien preferred not to commit himself to a story known only by hearsay. He too had heard the tale of the miraculous nurture of the king of the Wasan, and retold the story as it had been related to him. We have in the tale an old-world myth which enables us to bind into one the Celtic race, which at the time had a wider distribution than in modern days.

The prologue to Marco Polo's work informs us that young Marco in his travels came quickly to know the language of the Tartars, their manner of writing, and their practice of war; in fact, it adds, he came to know several

languages, and four sundry written characters evidently missing the point, the commentators without exception have set themselves wondering over this simple fact, as if it implied almost superhuman ability. Paulier suggests that the four written scripts were Bospho-Mongol, Arabic, Uighur, and Chinese! It is a pity that common sense is so rare a quality that not one of his thousand and one commentators saw the absurdity of the suggestion: of course the four written characters were those that Marco wanted in the course of his adventurous life. They were plainly Latin, Greek, Persian, and Wigur. The only other language he could possibly have found useful was Chinese, and of that, written or spoken, he certainly knew not a word. As a matter of fact Mongolian was the only eastern language that Marco really understood, and this has led to the innumerable difficulties in comprehending his topography which have so completely mystified his commentators. Another difficulty is that with all the desire to be truthful of his predecessors, Polo has not been as particular as they in separating what he had actually witnessed himself from what had been told him by others, and so has appeared to lend his sanction to statements which further consideration would have shown him were incorrect or at best questionable.

The effect of these combined causes has been that Marco Polo's commentators have had considerable difficulty from time to time in following the route taken by the traveller, and this makes it very difficult sometimes to comprehend his descriptions. Even the commencement of his road in Persia has been the subject of controversy. This arises from Marco's inveterate habit of wandering. The description of Tauris, as following medieval custom he calls Tabriz, does not begin till the 11th chapter of the first book. In the 5th he goes back to describe Mansur, which in the following chapter he supplements with a description of Bagdad so manifestly absurd that we cannot credit his having seen the city.

"In eighteen days," so runs the narrative, "comes to a certain city called Kis, where they enter the Sea of India. There is also on the river, as you do from Baudas to Kis, a great city called Bastan (Bora), &c. Major Sykes,

of Sheba herself also was a full-blooded black. With regard to the placing of the venue of the story of the Magi in Persia, it seems to have been forgotten by all that myrrh and frankincense are not, and never could have been products of Persia; the tale must have had its origin in Arabia, and its transfer to Saba in the north of even modern Persia can only be explained by the original wide distribution of these Ethiope, called by Homer "the farthest of men, living with the rising as with the setting sun." The bodies of the three Magi were even at the time of Polo's visit said to be still entire, but he honestly confesses that, though he enquired, he could find no one in the country who knewught of the matter. So much, as Marco Polo would him self say, for the Magi.

In the thirteenth century the roads in Persia seem to have been in much the same state of insecurity as at present; and we find much mention of robbers, which is too trite a subject to linger over. In spite of all our traveller got to Hormuz, doubtless with the intention of proceeding thence by sea; his description of the place is not flattering. "It is a very sickly place, and the heat of the sun is tremendous. If any foreign merchant die there the king takes all his property." The ships he found to be wretched affairs, tied together with strings, and all he finds to command in the date wine.

To the Chinese student Hormuz has an interest as being the furthest part reached by the Hua explorers. The *Heo Han Shu* tells how after travelling across Tsinochi (Sarangis)-Kan Ying reached the sea-coast, plainly at Hormuz. Here he was desirous of embarking for Tat'sin (Syria); the shipmen, evidently inspired from Porthos, did their best to deter him. "The sea is wide and dangerous, even with a fair wind it takes three months to cross; under less favourable conditions two years are needed. Those who attempt the voyage require to lay in provisions for three years. When they are on the water an intense longing for home seizes them, and they wish they were dead."

Whether Kan Ying was dissuaded by these representations, or stronger measures were used to oppose his embarkation, at all events the only opportunity China ever had of exploring the Roman Empire was lost.

Whatever was the reason, Polo too, like his predecessor, was persuaded from embarking at Hormuz, and determined to take the overland route. Nothing very particular happened to him in the way of adventure, so he reverts to his practice in such cases of spinning yarns, and tells the story of the *Arve Se*, on which his commentators descant wisely, and at length. Proceeding to the towns of Tum and Kain, which Marco in oriental fashion joins in one as Tuncocain, a sudden hiatus occurs, which it is difficult to account for otherwise than by the loss of an important portion of the M.S. This is the more to be regretted, as the blank bides such interesting spots as Nishapur, Meshed, and Merv, regarding the condition of which so soon after their visit by the Mongol invasions we should feel much interest. Characteristically Marco fills up the gap by the introduction of the story of Hessian the "Old Man of the Mountain," famous in medieval and eastern lore. It is not necessary to follow him here; the more so as the subject is altogether outside our narrative.

When next the direct narrative is resumed it is at Sapgron, which the commentators correctly identify with Shilburghan in the valley of the upper Oxus, still fertile, and famous for melons.

The next stage to be reached was the city of Balkh, of all the cities of Asia most famous.

It had submitted to Jenghis Khan without opposition, on the promise that its inhabitants would be spared: notwithstanding the promise the inhabitants, under pretence of numbering them, were marched in detachments into the plain, where they were murdered to a man in cold blood. Marco Polo, doubtless influenced by his former official position at the court of Kublai Khan, merely says that it was a noble city and great, though greatly ravaged and destroyed at the hands of the Tartars. As a fact, neither Balkh nor the other cities in the land have ever recovered from the havoc wrought.

With the name of Balkh occurs another which neither Yule nor the latest commentator have been able to identify; this is Dogana, called properly "a country." This, of course is intended for Tokharistan, the medieval name of the country hereabouts, and so called after the Tokhars, who are mentioned in this connection by Strabo. From Balkh the road led to Taklimakan and Khami into Badakhshan: so far there is no difficulty. Both commentators have, however, made a mistake as to the further route, and in taking Polo through the Taghdimbash Family to Yarkand. What Polo says he did was to ride twelve days from Badakhshan into a country called Vokhan (Wakhan), then go three days N.E. over "the highest place in the World" to a great lake out of which was running a fine river. He in fact followed in Wood's footprints till he got to Issar: there he found, as Wood did, the road divided: he took the more northerly, and found himself at Lake Yesih Kul, described by Hedin. Thence he crossed the Alchur Pamir, by Rang Kul, and so on direct to Kashgar. Country there he calls Bolor, a name that led the pretended traveller George Ludwig von

"into a merry quagmire." The authorities quoted for the existence of Bolor all point to a district far to the south, but to save Polo's face Dr. Hedin actually passed a few miles from the Yesih Kul, a small town which he names Bahui Kul, and which in all probability accounts for Marco's Bolor. As usual when Polo actually saw the place described his remarks are pithy and succinct. Kashgar is the finest town in the province and has beautiful gardens and vineyards, which is true to the present day. The inhabitants are niggardly, and which curiously enough with the description given by S'ma Ts'den, that they will wrangle over a

cash. When the traveller was at Kashgar he describes from hearsay the city of Samarcand, Samarkand. The contrast in the methods is instructive.

When Polo was at Kashgar, for reasons not stated but which were doubtless connected with the quarrel between Kublai and Kaidu Khans, he decided to take the southern road to China, and passed through Yarkand and Khotan. On the way he gives an account of a place called by him Pein, the identification of which is by no means clear. Yule and Cordier make it out to have corresponded with the Pimo of Yuen Chwang, but this is little help, as the Pi of the monk should be read Kwen, and the place intended was Kiriva (Kiris), the question must remain an open one a little longer.

After Pein, wherever it may have been, Marco Polo arrived at Charchan, the Lescan or Sheschen of the older Chinese histories. We are here on classic ground, the tale of Wu being back to mythical times. It was in fact the Troy of China destroyed, by her mythical hero Wan Wang, before his entrance into the Tionky. The ancient ballad sings:

"Thus speak the gods on high. 'Wan Wang!' 'Fear not to grasp the work, nor quail! Let not your pity spare; be strong!'"

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On Tsangyung's walls our engines ply, Tsangyung the fair, the wide-renowned. To the Chinese student Hormuz has an interest as being the furthest part reached by the Hua explorers. The *Heo Han Shu* tells how after travelling across Tsinochi (Sarangis)-Kan Ying reached the sea-coast, plainly at Hormuz. Here he was desirous of embarking for Tat'sin (Syria); the shipmen, evidently inspired from Porthos, did their best to deter him. "The sea is wide and dangerous, even with a fair wind it takes three months to cross; under less favourable conditions two years are needed. Those who attempt the voyage require to lay in provisions for three years. When they are on the water an intense longing for home seizes them, and they wish they were dead."

—Shi King, III, ii, 71.

When Polo visited it, it was, however, fallen from its high estate, and apparently dependent on its production of jade. "The whole of the province," he adds, "is sandy, and so is the road all the way from Pein, and much of the water that you find is bitter and bad. When you leave it you ride some five days through the sand, when you come to a city called Lop." There is no doubt that the place intended is the town still called Kuweis by S'ma Ts'den. It will exist here at a place still called Wash or Gash-shabri, by Prejavatik, and on some Chinese maps a lake shown in this position is made to bear the name of Khas, so that we may safely assume that in Polo's time this was really the title of the town to which our traveller transferred the name of the district. Here Marco prepared himself for crossing the desert, which in those days as at present lay in his road. Much needless wonder is expressed that he did not mention Lake Lop. As a fact the lake is described by the few travellers who have visited it as an inconspicuous object, and keeping nearer the Altyn Tagh he probably did not hear his guides mention it; i.e., however, after thirty days' journey fetched up at the rest station of Shachao, which according to his custom he calls a city. Shachao is practically identical with the older Tunkwang, the western outpost of China mentioned as early as the *Shi Ki*, and formed the entrance for travellers coming from the west to what was then the province of Tangut, but which more frequently in the past had been an independent state. The history of Tangut is in fact older than that of China itself. As M. Cordier points out on the high authority of Dr. Bushell, Tangut is a Mongol plural; by the Mongols the country was called Tangut or Tangwa. The Chinese in the sixth century called this people Tonghang or Tongch'ang, where the first syllable was in the lower tone, so that the combination stood for Dongar. These people, according to the *Wei Shu*, were Kiang, i.e., Kurus, and were descended from the Sammiao of the *Yukung*. In the *Shu King* they are represented as assisting Wu Wang in his conquest of China. In the tenth century, probably under a descendant of the house of Toba, they set up a short-lived kingdom, the Chinese title adopted for which was Ta Hia, the latter syllable representing the final *gar* of Dongar. Of this people we shall speak later.

(To be continued.)

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SOME JAPANESE ENGLISH.

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London, 24th August.

Reports from Turkish and Bulgarian sources respectively relate to the reverses of opponents, and to massacres and atrocities involving large numbers of people. Few of the reports are verifiable. The telegraphs have been cut everywhere. It appears undoubted that the rising has become general in the vicinity of Adrianople. This is attributed largely to the visit of the Russian squadron. The Turks have abandoned Ismid and other places on the coast.

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London, 23rd August.

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BRITAIN AND JEWISH COLONISATION.

London, 24th August.

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Hongkong, 9th September, 1903. [2554]

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Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [2319]

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Hongkong, 22nd August, 1903. [2425]

HUMPHREY'S ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of HUMPHREY'S ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Nos. 33 and 40, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 31st day of OCTOBER, 1903, at NOON, when the Subjoined Resolutions will be proposed, viz.—

1. That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$1,000,000 (divided into 100,000 shares of \$10 each) to \$1,500,000 (divided into 150,000 shares of \$10 each) by the creation of 50,000 new shares of \$10 each to be offered and if accepted to be allotted to the present shareholders of the Company at par in the ratio and proportion of one new share for every two old shares in the Company held by the respective shareholders thereof, the amount payable on each of such new shares respectively, to be paid at such time or times and in such manner as the Company by its General Managers may hereafter determine."

2. That Article No. 82 of the Articles of Association of the Company be cancelled and the following Article substituted therefor:

"The remuneration of the General Managers shall be \$4,000 per annum (which shall cover office rent but not salaries of Secretary and other employees) and a commission of 5 per cent. of the net profits of the Company for each year that such profits amount to 7 per cent. of the Capital of the Company."

Should the above Resolutions be duly passed they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this 24th day of July, 1903.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

AQUATIC SPORTS 1903.

THE Annual Aquatic Sports will be held on the 10th, 11th, 17th and 18th INST., in the CLUB ENCLOSURE, Austin Road, Kowloon. Sports commence on 18th and 19th at 4.30 P.M. and on 17th and 18th at 4 P.M.

Admission for Gentlemen, 50 cents each day. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half-price.

Tickets for Admission may be obtained from the STEWARD, V.R.C., on the day of the Sports.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1903. [2533]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

AQUATIC SPORTS 1903.

THE Committee of the Victoria Recreation Club request the pleasure of the Company of the Ladies of Hongkong at the CLUB ENCLOSURE, Austin Road, Kowloon, on THURSDAY, 17th INST., and SATURDAY, 19th INST., at 4 P.M. SHARP, on the occasion of the Annual Aquatic Sports.

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Hongkong, 8th September, 1903. [2534]

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [2112]

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PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 14th day of SEPTEMBER, 1903, at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land above Mount Kellett Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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Hongkong, 3rd September, 1903. [2484]

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1903. [117-2]

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [2458]

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
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Hongkong, 8th June, 1903. [71]

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ONE SUITE of ROOMS in the Ground
Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex,
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Apply to the undermentioned.
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Hongkong, 23rd August, 1903. [1757]

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TWO SPACIOUS GODOWNS—Nos. 95
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Apply to—
H. N. MODY,
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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1902. [82]

TO LET
2ND FLOOR, No. 35, QUEEN'S ROAD
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35, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 10th July, 1903. [1881]

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TWO SPACIOUS NEW GODOWNS,
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Apply to—
W. LYSAUGHT,
153, Wan Chai Road.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1903. [1153]

TO LET.
26, WYNDHAM STREET. Six-
Roomed House.
Apply to—
C. F. DE CARVALHO,
14, Arbuthnot Road.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [2454]

TO LET.
"EBBSFOOT," UPPLE RICHMOND
ROAD.
Apply to—
DEACON & HASTINGS,
10, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1902. [78]

TO LET.
NO. 12, CASTLE ROAD.
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Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [2459]

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Hongkong, 19th August, 1903. [2337]

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Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [1396]

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Hongkong, 28th July, 1903. [2025]

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Hongkong, 16th July, 1903. [1719]

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [681]

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Hongkong, 11th July, 1903. [1087]

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1903. [915]

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [299-19]

OUR PARIS LETTER:

Paris, 7th August.
Being but very little known in France, the
surprise caused by the election of Cardinal
Sarto as Pope was all the greater, and Parisians
are very anxious lest His Holiness may not be
friendly to France as a Republican nation.

The best informed declare that not only will
the new head of the Roman Catholic Church
continue the policy of his predecessor Leo, but he
will do everything in his power to advise the
clergy to rally to the Republic, and become
on more friendly terms with the
Quirinal. France, it is alleged, has nothing
whatever to fear from the election, but on the
contrary, ought to feel pleased. If, a less
prominent Cardinal than other famous contem-
poraries in the Sacred College, Giuseppe
Sarto possesses marked ability, tact, and
personal attractiveness; he is simplicity itself,
and dislikes every kind of show. If naturally gentle, he is equally a strict and
successful disciplinarian; strange to say, His
Holiness does not know French. His career
is exemplary; he is a noted administrator
and first-class organiser, and being trained in
practical diocesan work is all the more in his
favour. Pius X., who is 68 years of age, was
born of humble parents at the foot of the Alps
behind Venise, and started his clerical career as
a simple country curate. He is above all a man
of peace and truth, and while not underrating
difficulties ahead, he firmly believes that these
can best overcome by approaching them in a
conciliatory spirit. Time will prove whether
he becomes a great Pope or not. He is parti-
cularly anxious to make friends with everybody,
and bring about reconciliation—a hopeful and
good beginning at all events.

To-morrow Saturday, has been fixed for the
trial of Madame Humbert and the three
members of her notorious family, who will
appear before the Seine Assize Court to answer
a series of indictments, charging them with fraud
and swindling. The coming event is causing a
great deal of excitement here, as well as in the
provinces, for almost everyone is more or less
interested, in what may be rightly termed the
greatest scandal of the century. All persons
having any influence, whether judges, barristers,
or Ministers, have been written to for admission
tickets. So keen is the excitement that many
persons, including several well-known society
ladies have returned expressly to town from
the country and sea-side places, in order to
endeavour to be present at the trial, which
promises to be exceptionally sensational. All
interest practically lies in the villainy of the
piece, Madame Humbert, the central figure,
who never looked in better health or in brighter
spirits, despite her six months' detention in
prison. Dress is all she troubles after; she has
just succeeded in being allowed a new veil and
feathers for her hat, as she wishes to appear as
smart as possible to-morrow. The "queen of
swindlers" will be defended by Maitre Labori,
the eminent barrister who became so prominent
while acting as the advocate of Drayfus.
Though an onerous task, the distinguished
advocate intends to deal with the case in anything
but a kid-gloved manner; he will not spare
anyone, nor display the least hesitation. It
will be remembered that when arrested in
Madrid, Romain Daunignac, one of Mme.
Humbert's brothers, threatened that on returning
to this country he would "unmake great
reputations, ruin the prestige of influential
personages, and bring disgrace on names
hitherto beyond reproach." The time has come
for the "family" to speak; and public opinion
is curious to know what he has to say on that
grave subject.

The young "Sugar King," M. Jacques
Lobaudy, fearing his popularity to be on the
wane, assumed the role of explorer, annexed the
Cabinet of the War Office, to confer with the
West African coast from Cape Juby to Cape
Bogador, and proclaimed himself Emperor of
Sahara—a bold way of bidding for a realm. His
countrymen could not help smiling, and looked
upon the whole business as a joke. Lobaudy,
however, was in earnest, went to considerable
expense in fitting out his expedition, enlisted a
score of sailors at Brest, who were given 250
francs down, and promised 200 francs a month
as salary. At Las Palmas, ten of the sailors
were embarked on board the "Frasquita." On
arriving at Cape Juby, M. Lobaudy distributed
rifles and cartridges, as well as a certain
amount of provisions, with orders to make for
the capital of his empire—Troja. The unex-
pected soon followed, two of the sailors were
captured by Moorish brigands, who demanded a
ransom of 5,000 francs. On hearing this,
"His Majesty" at once organised a punitive
expedition. More trouble; five of the ten sailors
who were to go to Troja, not finding safe, retraced
their footsteps, and quickly returned discouraged
to the "Frasquita"; the other five came to grief,
being surrounded by Moorish brigands, two
were captured, three others made good their
escape; no shots were fired. One of the sailors
who escaped has returned to France and gave
a graphic description of the ridiculous and
aburd expedition, which had ended in smoke:
M. Lobaudy, the sailor asserts, never cared to
be present where there was any danger, though he
urged his men to go ahead and be brave.
Thinking the comedy had lasted long enough,
the ship was brought back to Las Palmas, much
against M. Lobaudy's will; but he finally
confessed that there was not much to be gained
by attempting to found an empire in North-
west Africa. It may sound very nice to
pronounce oneself Emperor of Sahara, but to

a gratuious service of lady-doctors is on the
eve of being organised by the Government of
Algeria for the Moslem women who decline to
be medically attended by male physicians. The
new lady doctors are to be supplied with suitable
quarters, drugs, surgical instruments, and a good
salary. The number of dispensaries for
Moslem women is also to be increased; every
principal city is to possess one. Algeria has
always been a pet and spoil colony.
Despite denials, it is no secret that the health
of Mme. Emma Calve is causing a great deal of
anxiety to her numerous friends. Her indispos-
ition, heart-affection which threatens her life,
comes at a very unfortunate moment, when she
was about to appear for the first time not as a
singer but as actress in the South of France,
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Hongkong, 4th March, 190

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Sept. 9. CHUNGU, British str., 1,459. J. McD. Howie, Sydney 15th August, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Sept. 9. DEVAWONGSE, German str., 1,632. Chr. Kimpal, Bangkok 2nd September. Rice.—NORTHERN GERMAN LLOYD.
Sept. 9. HAIGHING, British str., 4,279. W. C. Passmore, Foochow 4th Sept., Amoy 6th and Swatow 8th. General—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
Sept. 9. KWELIN, British str., 1,073. McIntosh, Shanghai 16th Sept., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Sept. 9. KWONGANG, British str., from Canton.
Sept. 9. LYEMOON, German str., 2,633. M. Ridley, Tacoma and Moji 4th Sept., General—DODWELL & CO.
Sept. 9. TAISHUN, Chinese str., from Canton.
Sept. 9. WAKASA MARU, Jap. str., 3,881. J. B. Macmillan, London 31st July, General—NISSON YUSEN KAISHA.

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Tewoo, Norwegian str., for Hongkong.
Wooing, British str., for Swatow.
Yowuda Maru, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.

DEPARTURES.

9th September.
AVR, British str., for Moji.
BORNEO, British str., for Yokohama.
CHUNSAO, British str., for Samarang.
CROWN OF ABBAGY, British str., for Durban.
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SHIPPING REPORT.

The American steamer *Tacoma*, from Tacoma and Moji 4th Sept., had light seas and calm; smooth sea, cloudy sky and fine, clear weather till the morning of the 8th inst., when weather became very cloudy, frequent heavy showers of rain and moderate S.E. winds.
The British steamer *Huching*, from Coast Port 8th Sept., had light N.E. winds and fine weather to Amoy. From Amoy to Swatow similar weather. From Swatow to port light N.E. winds and heavy rain and southerly swell. Vessels in Swatow—*Toonan*, *Haeling*, *Doymar*, and B.C. *Kuipan*.

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Hongkong, 9th September, 1903. [2544]

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Hongkong, 4th September, 1903. [1125]

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Hongkong, 7th September, 1903. [2520]

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Hongkong, 8th September, 1903. [2532]

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LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, &c.	SUMATRA	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 18th inst.	
LIVERPOOL	PINGUEUX	Brit. str.	C. Hayward	10th inst.	
JASON	KINTUCK	Brit. str.	Robinson	23rd October.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	KAMAKURA M.	Jap. str.	H. Peterson	15th inst.	
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	TONKIN	Fren. str.	Schmitz	19th inst., D'light.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	GLAUCUS	Jap. str.	W. Bainbridge	22nd inst., at 1 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	H. Formes	20th inst.	
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	AGAMEMNON	Jap. str.	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	3rd Oct., Daylight.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	PAK LIN	Gor. str.	NISSON YUSEN KAISHA	13th inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	BAYERN	Gor. str.	MELCHERS & CO.	13th inst.	
BREMEN, &c. PORTS OF CALL	KONIGSBERG	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	23rd Inst.	
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	6th October.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ABESSINIA	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	29th October.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAXONIA	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	3rd November.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	PESSIA	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	19th inst. P.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	TRACIBRIDGE	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	About 12th inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	A. CHRISTIANSEN	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	30th inst., at Noon.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	E. W. HASWELL	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	7th October.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	V. ELLIS	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-day.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	CHINCHU	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	22nd inst., 4 P.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	T. HARRISON	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	6th Oct. at 4 P.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	J. B. MACMICHLAN	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	13th inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	J. MACDONALD	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	15th inst., at Noon.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	L. PONTO	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	2nd Oct.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	S. SCHULKE	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	23rd inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. R. LONGDEN	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-day.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	P. O. S. N. CO.	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-day at 5 P.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	P. & O. S. N. CO.	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	About 12th inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	S. DE B. LECKYOR	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-morrow.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	T. OGATA	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-morrow.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	K. AKASHI	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-morrow.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	D. DOUGLASS LIPKIN & CO.	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-morrow, 10 A.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	N. NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	23rd inst., at Noon.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	E. W. HASWELL	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-morrow, 4 P.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	T. ODAKE	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-morrow, 4 P.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	H. GOITO	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	12th inst., 10 A.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	R. H. SMITH	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	16th inst., 11 A.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	PEONYFATHER	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	18th inst.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	R. W. ALMOND	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	19th inst., 10 A.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	W. MAGANJAI	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	6th October.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	A. STEWART	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	To-morrow, Noon.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	A. E. MONGOR	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	12th inst., at 3 P.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. DAVID SASSON & CO. LTD.	Gor. str.	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	Quick despatch.	

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

KOBE and YOKOHAMA Friday, 11th Sep., at DAYLIGHT.

SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE Friday, 11th Sep., at 4 P.M.

KINOSHIMA MARU Tuesday, 15th Sep., at NOON.

MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA Saturday, 19th Sep., at DAYLIGHT.

MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID Saturday, 19th Sep., at 4 P.M.

KAMAKURA MARU H. Peterson said.

TOSA MARU A. Christiansen.

KANAGAWA MARU J. MacKenzie.

KAGOSHIMA MARU K. Komi.

INABA MARU W. Bainbridge.

NISSON YUSEN KAISHA.

VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

KOBE and YOKOHAMA Saturday, 3rd Oct., at DAYLIGHT.

MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.

KAGA MARU Geo. Anderson.

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OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.

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CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
NAVIGATION CO. LTD.
JOINT SERVICES.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA,
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 17th September.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAK LING"	On 23rd September.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 1st October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TANTALUS"	On 7th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 24th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 27th October.

HOMewardS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 15th September.
LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 19th September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"GLAUCUS"	On 24th September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON"	On 13th October.
LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 23rd October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PAK LING"	On 27th October.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	"CALCHAS"	On 2nd October.
The s.s. "MACHAON" left Victoria on the 2nd inst., for Japan and Hongkong.	"OANFA"	On 2nd November.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

PORT	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, and NEWCHWANG	"KALGAN"	On 10th September.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"SEZCHUEN"	On 11th September.
SHANGHAI	"CHINGTU"	On 12th September.
MANILA	"KAIKONG"	On 14th September.
CHEFOO and TIENSIN	"NANCHANG"	On 16th September.
MANILA	"CHINGTU"	On 23rd September.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CATHIN TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	On 5th October.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

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Hongkong, 10th September, 1903.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO. BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG,

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA,
IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	Sailing Date.
OLYMPIA	J. Truebridge	2,837	September 10th
LYRA	F. Williams	4,417	September 17th
TACOMA	A. Dixon	2,812	September 24th
VICTORIA	J. Pantin	3,502	October 10th

Steamers marked * have no passenger accommodation.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services. Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and to the Principal Cities in the United States and Canada.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED,
GENERAL AGENTS.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR TAMSIU, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

TAMSIU, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

ANPING, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for first-class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.

All Steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mails, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered the highest class at Lloyd's.

Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Pontoon at the Customs' water front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co.'s steamer for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading are issued for cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Voeux Road Central.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1903.

T. ARIMA, Manager [15]

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

We have now 40,000 Cubic feet of Cold Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will be open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sundays excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

W. PARLIAN, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. [65]

MUSIC.

RAPID TUTOR given on the BANJO, MANDOLIN, SPANISH GUITAR,

VIOLIN, &c. Terms moderate.

L. A. de GRACA,

58, Peel Street, or

Cave of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 11th August, 1903. [22]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEURIES MARITIMES PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAISE

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLE, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 22nd September, 1903, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "TONKIN," Captain Schmitz, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLE via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the Australian line as "Dumbin" bound for MARSEILLE via BOMBAY and ADEN.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 21st September. Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agent's Office. Contents and value of packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1903. [2]

EASTER AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, CALLING AT POET DARWIN AND QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.

THE Steamship

"EASTER."

Captain W. Ellis, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd September.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a refrigerating chamber, which ensures the supply of fresh provisions, ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with the electric light.

A stewardess and a duly qualified surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To ensure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamer of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1903. [2419]

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW YORK VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"NORDKYN," Captain A. Bear,

will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 30th SEPTEMBER.

For Freight, &c., apply to

SHAW, N. TONES & CO.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1903. [2440]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

HONGKONG—MANILA.

REDUCED SALOON PASSAGE MONEY,

SINGLE, \$20; RETURN, \$35.

STEAMERS FITTED THROUGHOUT WITH ELECTRIC LIGHT. FIRST CLASS ACCOMMODATION. UNRIVALLED TABLE. DULY QUALIFIED SURGEON CARRIED.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 4th July, 1903. [1964]

FOR KWAN CHAU WAN.

THE Steamship

"SWIFT,"

Captain A. E. Morgan, will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to

CHI WO,

Agents, Wing Wo Lane.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1903. [2342]

FOR CANTON.

THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer

"SAN CHEUNG,"

951 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave Canton at 8 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS and return to Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M. Excellent accommodation, electric light, and refreshments. Wharf at Hongkong near Harbour Office.

First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Meals, \$1 each.

Cargo Freight very moderate.

J. TREVOUX & CO.,

No. 128, Connaught Road Central.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903. [1751]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS

in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line

are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS

OF LADING for all the principal ports in

SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INFO-

CHINA SHIP NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Sundays*, with the English Mail of the 14th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, the 6th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 11th inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 14th ult.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	P.M.	DATE
Haihung		Thursday, 10th, 8.00 A.M.
Honan		Thursday, 10th, 9.30 A.M.
Canton, Amoy and Foochow		Thursday, 10th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma		Thursday, 10th, 11.00 A.M.
Macao		Thursday, 10th, 12.15 P.M.
Shanghai		Thursday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Hongkong		Thursday, 10th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai and Japan		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Namtao		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Sanho		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Macao		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Romby		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Choofoo and Newchwang		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Yokohama and Kobe		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Bacca, &c., India via Tuticorin		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail.		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Extra Postage 10 cents)		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in the contract mail.)		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Pulang and Calcutta		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland (Oregon)		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai		Thursday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

9th September.

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 1/107
Bank Bills, on demand 1/103
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 1/104
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 1/105
Credits, at 4 months' sight 1/106
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight/1/107

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 255
Bank Bills, on demand, at 4 months' sight 249

ON GERMANY.— On demand 181

ON NEW YORK.— Bank Bills, on demand 454
Bills, 60 days' sight 463

ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer 1391
Bank, on demand 1394

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 1391
Bank, on demand 1394

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, on demand 724
Bank, at sight 724
Private, 30 days' sight 732

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand 901

ON MANILA.— On demand Nominal

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand Nominal

ON BATAVIA.— On demand 1124

ON HAIPHONG.— On demand 2 p.c. pm.

ON SAIGON.— On demand 11 p.c. pm.

ON BANGKOK.— On demand 621

SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate \$10.75

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 557

F SILVER, per oz. 264

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The P. & O. steamer *Emilia* left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst., at 8 a.m., and is due here to-morrow, at about 6 a.m.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
The Indo-China steamer *Nanshang*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 8th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 14th inst.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
The Imperial German mail steamer *Boymen* left Kobe, via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 6th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 15th inst.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Seydlitz* left Colombo on the 5th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 10th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The O. & O. steamer *America Maru* left San Francisco for the port, via Honolulu, Ac., on the 26th ult.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.
The O. & O. steamer *Capricorn* left Manila on the 9th inst., and is expected here to-morrow, at 3 p.m.

The O. & O. steamer *Telenachus*, from Taclobon, left Moji on the 1st inst., a.m., for Hongkong direct.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Kinchu Maru* (Bombay Line) left Singapore for this port on the 7th inst., and is expected here on the 13th inst., a.m.

The N.D.L. steamer *Freiburg*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 8th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 14th inst., at daylight.

The C.C. steamer *Aschaff*, from San Francisco the 18th ult., arrived at Kobe on the 9th inst., a.m.

The C.P.R. steamer *Taritar* left Vancouver on the 24th ult., p.m., for Hongkong, via the usual ports of call.

The E. & A. steamer *Australian* left Sydney on the 2nd inst., via Queensland ports, Port Darwin and Manila, and may be expected here on the 23rd inst.

The P. & A. steamer *Indiarubber* left Portland, Or., on the 4th inst., via Japan ports, and may be expected here on the 5th prox.

The C.N.S. steamer *Macrae* left Victoria on the 2nd inst. for Japan and Hongkong.

The N.P. steamer *Victoria* left Victoria, B.C., for Yokohama and the naval ports on the 6th inst., and may be expected here on the 21st inst.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per *Chingtu*, from Sydney, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert, Mr. and Mrs. Pozak and child, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Bingham.

Per *Walrus*, Maru, from London, Mr. and Mrs. Holworthy, Mrs. Tessey, Miss A. Duggan,

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong 8th September.

COMPANY	P.M.	QUOTATIONS
Hongkong & Shantung	\$125	\$350, sales London 294.
Natl. Bank of China	23	\$28, sellers
A. Shares	23	\$28, sellers
B. Shares	21	\$10.
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	21	\$10, sellers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$40, sellers
China Electric Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$37.50, sellers
China Light and Power Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$50, sales & sellers
China Prov. L. & M.	\$10	\$50, sales & sellers
China Sugar	\$100	\$15, buyers
Cigar Companies	\$100	\$15, buyers
Abraham, Ltd.	\$500	\$250, buyers
Philippine Tobacco	\$100	\$15, sellers
Trust Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$15, sellers
Cotton Mills	\$100	\$15, sellers
E.W.O.	\$100	\$15, sellers
International	\$100	\$15, sellers
Lao Kung Mow	\$100	\$15, buyers
Soysa	\$100	\$15, buyers
Dairy Farms	\$100	\$15, buyers
Fawick & Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$15, buyers
Green Island Cement	\$100	\$15, buyers
H. & C. Bakery	\$100	\$15, buyers
Hongkong & G. Co.	\$100	\$15, buyers
Hongkong Ice	\$100	\$15, ex-div.
H. & K. Wharf & Co.	\$100	\$15, sell. m.
H. & W. Dock	\$100	\$15, ex div.
Insurance	\$100	\$15, sales
Canton	\$100	\$15, sales & buy.
China Fire	\$100	\$15, buyers
China Traders	\$100	\$15, buyers
Hongkong Fire	\$100	\$15, sellers
North China	\$100	\$15, sellers
Struts	\$100	\$15, buyers
Union	\$100	\$15, buyers
Langzate	\$100	\$15, sales
Land and Building	\$100	\$15, sellers
Hongkong Land Inv.	\$100	\$15, sellers
Humphries Estate	\$100	\$15, sellers
Kowloon Land & H.	\$100	\$15, sales
West Point Building	\$100	\$15, buyers
Luzon Sugar	\$100	\$15, sellers
Malaya Invest. Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$15, buyers
Mining	\$100	\$15, sellers
Charbomage	\$100	\$15, cts. sellers
Jalebu	\$100	\$15, cts. buyers
Punjan	\$100	\$15, cts. buyers
Do. Preference	\$100	\$15, cts. buyers
Rauhs	\$100	\$15, cts. buyers
New Amoy Dock	\$100	\$15, cts. buyers
Oiente Hotel, Manila	\$100	\$15, cts. buyers
Powell, Ltd.	\$100	\$15, cts. buyers
Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$15, cts. buyers
Steamship Coys.	\$100	\$15, cts. buyers
China and Manila	\$100	\$15, sellers
Douglas Steamship	\$100	\$15, sellers
H. & C. China	\$100	\$15, sellers
South Transport and Trading Co.	\$100	\$15, buyers
Star Ferry	\$100	\$15, sellers
S.G.E. Hyd & Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$15, nominal
S. & H. Dyeing & Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$15, nominal
Teabrad Planting Co.	\$100	\$15, nominal
United Asbestos	\$100	\$15, nominal
Star Ferry	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. Bond	\$100	\$15, nominal
Master Caulfield	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. E. H. Crofton	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. and Mrs. Gaskell	\$100	\$15, nominal
Lieut. & Mrs. J. S. Harvey	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. E. H. King	\$100	\$15, nominal
Col. & Mrs. F. J. Lambkin	\$100	\$15, nominal
Miss Lambkin	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. & Mrs. C. W. Louque	\$100	\$15, nominal
KING EDWARD HOTEL.	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. G. Gordon	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. E. Hale	\$100	\$15, nominal
Miss W. Hawley	\$100	\$15, nominal
Miss M. Hawley	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. & Mrs. Geo. Hawley	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. A. H. Hollingsworth	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. H. P. King	\$100	\$15, nominal
THOMAS HOTEL.	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. W. Holmes	\$100	\$15, nominal
Lieut. and Mrs. F. W. Lambell	\$100	\$15, nominal
Capt. & Mrs. F. Lyne	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. & Mrs. Gaskell	\$100	\$15, nominal
Lieut. & Mrs. J. S. Harvey	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. E. H. King	\$100	\$15, nominal
CONNAUGHT HOTEL.	\$100	\$15, nominal
Lieut. J. R. Campbell, R.E.	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. & Mrs. R. F. Daly	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. E. Dufour	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. E. Howard	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. W. Humphrey	\$100	\$15, nominal
THOMAS HOTEL.	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. A. C. Manner	\$100	\$15, nominal
Capt. Roberts	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. O. L. Robertson	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. E. R. Rougier	\$100	\$15, nominal
Mr. S. T. Sutling		